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In re application of:

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Sir:

Applicants petition for a three-month extension of time until January 22, 1994 to respond to the Office Action mailed July 22, 1993. An appropriate response to the Office Action in the form of an Amendment is enclosed herewith.

Please charge \$840.00 (large entity) to Deposit Account No. 20-1430. Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to the above Deposit Account. This petition is submitted in triplicate.

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